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A Momentum Dynamics wirelessly charged Link Transit bus.

Link Transit Receives 50 MWh of Wirelessly Delivered Energy

LINK TRANSIT, WENATCHEE, WA, HAS ACHIEVED 50 megawatt-hours of energy delivered to its electric bus fleet using a wireless charging system from Momentum Dynamics. According to Momentum, Link Transit is the first public transit agency in the Americas to reach this technology milestone, and the first in the world to do so in under two years.

"We are very pleased to support Link Transit in their drive to a better future," said Andrew Daga, president and CEO of Momentum Dynamics. "Wireless charging makes fleet management very efficient because the system delivers increased range and eliminates the need for a depot full of cables and chargers, all of which are subject to wear and tear and creates a hazardous condition for workers. It is the most cost-effective charging system for fleets available today."

"On-route" wireless charging delivers partial charging from a ground pad to a receiver, enabling a bus to be charged throughout the day while on its scheduled route without interruption. During the 2019-2020 winter, a Wenatchee bus featuring the system ran a 14-hour scheduled route and maintained its battery charge above 90 percent throughout the journey.

"We are delighted to have reached such a significant milestone as we work to keep our customers satisfied and make the air and streets of the Wenatchee area cleaner," said Richard DeRock, Link Transit general manager. "This faultless system has allowed us to easily deploy an electric bus on a route that would otherwise have been very challenging for a depot-only charged vehicle."

Link Transit plans to add 10 new electric buses to its fleet in 2020. All buses will be fitted with the Momentum Dynamics wireless charging receivers, and Momentum will provide three additional on-route charging stations, each capable of delivering 300kw.

Public Transit Agencies Begin to Restore Service And Fare Collection

As restrictions put into place due to COVID-19 begin to lift, many public transit agencies are taking steps to restore service and, in some cases, resume fare collection that had been temporarily suspended.

Restoring Service

Across the U.S., agencies are responding to their states' reopening plans by slowly restoring services in a safe and efficient way.

Port Authority of Allegheny County has restored several bus routes to regular weekday schedules as of May 18. Vehicle capacity limits will remain in place to encourage social distancing. "This plan of action will allow us to safely and responsibly resume regular service while continuing to make sure our riders and employees feel safe, comfortable and protected," said CEO Katharine Eagan Kelleman.

Like many agencies, the Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority (PSTA) in St. Petersburg, FL, suspended service March 30 due to a lack of ridership brought on by beach, business and hotel closures. PSTA resumed service of the South Clearwater Beach Jolley Trolley as of May 15. Currently, All PSTA weekday services run on a Saturday schedule, with all weekend services running on a Sunday schedule. "Following the phased-in approach by state and county officials, PSTA is also being cautious on a return to full service," said CEO Brad Miller. "The health and safety of our guests and staff is always paramount, and we will continue to monitor the situation and carefully evaluate our next steps before moving forward."

Mountain Line (Missoula, MT) increased service on two of its bus routes May 11 to 15-minute frequencies (for the time being, COVID-19-adjusted hours are still in effect). "We have already begun to see an increase in ridership as Missoula reopens and we are monitoring capacity closely," said Jennifer Sweten, director of operations. "Restoring 15-minute service on Routes 1 and 2 is in direct response to the need for more physical distancing space for riders along those routes."

The opening of certain types of businesses and public spaces in Los Angeles County enabled Antelope Valley Transit Authority (AVTA) to begin plans for resuming regular local and commuter services. "As restrictions are lifted and businesses begin to re-open, AVTA's return to regular service levels will help AV residents begin to return to normal routines," stated AVTA Board Chairman Marvin Crist. "AVTA is dedicated to our riders' and employees' health and safety. Service schedules will return to normal with an eye on safety, ensuring AVTA provides the healthy transit experience our community relies upon."

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Other examples of public transit agencies restoring service include, to date:

- Sound Transit (Seattle) is increasing service on Link light rail with trains running every 20 minutes during the day until after the p.m. peak. The agency was also to increase service on ST Express routes starting May 24 through Sept. 19.
- LA Metro will implement a four-phase plan to restore bus and rail service between now and 2021. The agency's goal is to match service levels with actual and expected ridership and the need to maintain physical distance.
- DASH (Alexandria, VA) is increasing service from its current enhanced Sunday schedule to an enhanced Saturday schedule in anticipation of the state's stay-at-home order being lifted May 29. The new service plan was set to take effect May 24.
- Chatham Area Transit (Savannah, GA) resumed Savannah Belles Ferry service May 22 under a temporary reduced

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COMMENTARY

BY INDIA BIRDSONG
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In the Eye of the COVID-19 Storm, Public Transit Is Called Upon Like Never Before

Every day, tens of thousands of people from Northeast Ohio—just like public transportation customers everywhere—have a simple need and turn to their transit systems for the solution: Get me to my job, to my doctor, to my grocery store—and back home again. In the shadow of COVID-19, that simple need has posed a daunting set of challenges for public transportation systems.

I'VE WORKED IN PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION at every level in my career, from the floor of the bus garage, to the lead role of operations, from Chicago to Nashville to Cleveland. But never have I been so profoundly impacted by the heroic acts I witness every day as Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority (GCRTA) employees join transit employees across the country, braving the front lines of COVID-19 to deliver on our common mission.

Transit professionals from coast to coast realized early on that keeping our people and our riders safe would be anything but simple as the spread of the virus accelerated. We have learned to be nimble and innovative in a time of crisis.

Even before the first diagnosed case of the coronavirus in Ohio, GCRTA rolled out a daily enhanced cleaning protocol for buses, trains and all our vehicles and buildings. We bought the latest technology that zaps the inside of vehicles and electronic gear with disinfecting ultraviolet rays.

At the same time, our staff rallied together using some of the oldest technology—needle and thread—to make face coverings for operators and other public-facing GCRTA workers. They assembled personal protection kits with goggles, gloves, sanitizers and disinfecting wipes. Plexiglass shields now protect customer service and booth attendant staff, and we have installed vinyl protective barriers around operators on all vehicles [see page 6].

Still, the virus is insidious. Twelve of our staff have tested positive for COVID-19 at this writing, and thankfully more than half have returned to work, healthy and safe. For those still recovering, here and in every city, I'm joining you in sending them all our strength and hope for their quick recovery.

We don't know exactly what the future will look like for GCRTA—or for many public transit systems—when this threat ends. Early in the pandemic, Ohio, like most states, issued a "stay safe/stay home" order, and everyone who could, worked or did school from home. Ridership dropped some 60 percent, and we reduced the frequency of service on most lines and put a temporary halt to our Park-N-Ride and Trolleys, both serving Downtown's business district, nearby universities and local establishments.

Soon, we will begin to look at the plan to return to our normal schedule at a deliberate, analytical pace. For now, we all know we must keep minding our physical distance when we ride. We will continue urging our passengers and operators to wear face masks. We will continue protecting our operators and staff. We will continue our aggressive cleaning protocols.

Fighting the spread of COVID-19 is not simple. That's something every public transit system, and every industry, has not only come to realize, but has come to embrace. GCRTA will continue to be there for our customers, no matter how long this lasts; no matter what it takes. Our ability to emerge stronger only makes me want to fight harder. We will continue to realize our strength together.

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In case anyone needed a reminder, public transit is proving again that we are a critical part of the fabric of our local community, and of the community nationwide. On the other side of this, we're all looking forward to enjoying what we may have taken for granted. Those fun trips, those special outings, those events that put our cities on the national stage. Soon, we'll be there to take fans Downtown to celebrate the NFL draft next year. And to the NBA All Star Game in 2021. And for every daily trip in between.

No matter the future, we are joining every public transportation system across our land to connect you to the people, events and places—those that are essential or those that you simply want to enjoy.

COVID-19 has challenged each of us in ways we couldn't have imagined when we began this journey. Each city and region has had its own unique experiences, but public transportation heroes have developed a common bond we'll always remember. Here in Cleveland, this experience has made me appreciate this city for its strength, and that's a lasting impression that will never fade. I'm so proud to be a part of GCRTA, and we are proud to join our distinguished public transportation partners throughout our nation, in serving our customers, through thick and thin. Simple.

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Pierce Transit has restored some of its bus routes and will reinstate fares starting June 14.

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schedule, noting the ferries would run at half their normal capacity.

- Pierce Transit restored some of its bus routes as of May 24. The new level of services is expected to run through Sept. 19.
- The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency increased the frequency on several lines in its existing COVID-19 Core system and reinstated the 9R San Bruno Rapid as of May 16.
- Southeastern Pennsylvania Transportation Authority returned to regular schedules on most transit services starting the week of May17, including resuming service on all bus and trolley routes with front-door boarding and fare payment, and restoring regular weekday and weekend frequencies on the Market-Frankford, Broad Street and Norristown High Speed Lines.

Victor Valley Transit is resuming front-door boarding and fare collections.

Restoring Fare Collection

Public transit agencies that suspended fare collection did so as a safety measure to protect both passengers and drivers from physical interaction with each other and high-touch points, in addition to ease the financial burden for essential workers. As restrictions have been lifted, agencies have found ways to resume fare collection safely through the use of driver barriers, among other measures.

Beginning June 1, front-door boarding and fare collection was to resume on all TransLink buses in British Columbia, Canada. Temporary plexiglass extension barriers are being added to conventional buses currently equipped with traditional operator barriers. Vinyl barriers will be installed on the remainder of the fleet.

"We've managed to find an innovative solution that ensures the safety of our bus operators, while also allowing for safe fare collection," says CEO Kevin Desmond. "We've already started to procure materials and install the barriers on our fleet, with an expectation that this process will be complete by June."

Other examples of agencies restoring fare collection include, to date:

- Port Authority of Allegheny County was to reinstate front-door boarding on buses June 1 and resume regular fare collection May 8.
- Community Transit (Everett, WA) is beginning to collect fares on Swift Blue and Swift Green bus rapid transit lines as of June 1. Fares on all other Community Transit buses will remain suspended for the month of June, with a plan to restore fare collection in the coming months based on updated safety measures.
- Sound Transit is reintroducing fares as of June 1 at a reduced Recovery Fares rate on Link light rail and Sounder.
- VIA Metropolitan Transit (San Antonio) will extend its fare-relief period through May 31. Fare collection will begin again June 1.
- AVTA was to resume fare collection for local and commuter services June 1.
- Pierce Transit (Lakewood, WA) will reinstate fares starting June 14 for buses and SHUTTLE paratransit vehicles.
- IndyGo (Indianapolis) resumed fare collection May 4.
- Victor Valley Transit (CA) was to resume front-door boarding and fare collections June 1.

Antelope Valley Transit Authority is resuming regular local and commuter services and collecting fares.

Photo courtesy of Sound Transit

Sound Transit is increasing service on its ST Express routes.

WTS Recognizes APTA Chair Fernandez, President And CEO Skoutelas

WTS INTERNATIONAL RECOGNIZED APTA Chair Nuria I. Fernandez, general manager and CEO, Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority, San Jose, CA, as WTS Woman of the Year during its virtual 2020 Annual Business Meeting May 21. This award honors a leader in transportation who has distinguished herself through her professional achievements and support of women in the industry.

APTA President and CEO Paul P. Skoutelas received the Honorable Ray LaHood Award, which recognizes efforts to attract, retain and advance women in transportation.

Michael Baker International was named Employer of the Year.

Nuria I. Fernandez

Paul P. Skoutelas

New CEO Named

Byford, Transport for London

ANDY BYFORD HAS BEEN APPOINTED COMMISSIONER for Transport for London (TfL), effective June 29. He will oversee London's rail and bus networks as well as ferry and taxi services and bike lanes.

Byford previously served as president of the New York City Transit Authority from 2018-2020. Before that, he was CEO of the Toronto Transit Commission (TTC). Under Byford's leadership, the TTC was named APTA's Outstanding Public Transportation System of the Year for 2017 for a system providing 20 million or more annual passenger trips.

Byford began his career more than 30 years ago at TfL.

Andy Byford

MTA Completes Upgrade Of Murray Hill LIRR Station

MTA LONG ISLAND RAIL ROAD HAS completed upgrades to its Murray Hill station. The station now features two elevators, one each for the eastbound and westbound platforms, making the station accessible to all customers for the first time.

"Our goal at the LIRR is to make sure every last station that needs to be upgraded to allow for full ADA-compliant accessibility happens as quickly as possible. The opening of the elevators at Murray Hill Station marks the 107th accessible station, out of 124," said President Phil Eng. "I'm proud of the workforce that managed to get this important project past the finish line despite the ongoing pandemic as we run essential service for frontline workers."

The project was managed by MTA Construction & Development. "During the COVID-19 crisis we have put in place strong safety guidelines so that projects like this—and the hundreds of other MTA projects under construction—can move forward safely and on schedule," said MTA Construction & Development President Janno Lieber. "Among other things, these guidelines require maximum social distancing, keeping crews separate, disinfection of tools and controlling access to confined areas like pump rooms and communications rooms."

Station upgrades also include renewed retaining walls, new lighting, security cameras, signage and pigeon abatement measures. The plaza areas at the station were also restored with new brick pavers and concrete walkways. In addition, plaza benches, tables, seats and lampposts were re-installed and new trees planted. The station first opened in April 1889, at street level.

Trinity Metro Launches New ZIPZONE Service

TRINITY METRO, FORT WORTH, TX, and the City of Crowley are to launch a new on-demand service June 1. The Crowley ZIPZONE will provide transportation to medical facilities and shopping options within the city as well as connections to four bus routes in Fort Worth and the South Park & Ride.

"We are excited about this opportunity to partner with Crowley to provide service to a new area," said Wayne Gensler, vice president and chief operating officer of bus and paratransit at Trinity Metro. "This innovative solution will give residents the option of taking transportation within Crowley or connecting to one of our other services."

The Crowley ZIPZONE is the third on-demand service for Trinity Metro. A fourth is planned for this summer.

The City of Crowley ZIPZONE is the third on-demand service for Trinity Metro.

OCTA Awards Herzog Contract to Operate and Maintain OC Streetcar

THE ORANGE COUNTY (CA) Transportation Authority (OCTA) Board of Directors has approved a contract with Herzog Transit Services, Inc. for operations and maintenance of the OC Streetcar project. Scheduled to begin testing and operations in 2022, the OC Streetcar will run on a 4.1-mile route through Santa Ana and Garden Grove.

"The OC Streetcar will provide Orange County residents with an important additional transit option, and this is another exciting milestone toward bringing the project to the people of Orange County," said OCTA Chairman Steve Jones, also the Mayor of Garden Grove.

The streetcar will serve Santa Ana's downtown and employment areas, including county and local government offices and courthouses. The route will connect to existing rail and bus routes in Orange County and beyond, including the Santa Ana Regional Transportation Center that serves Metrolink and Amtrak travelers throughout Southern California.

Six vehicles, with two back-ups, will operate daily, making stops at 10 locations in each direction every 10 to 15 minutes.

A conceptual rendering of sites along the OC Streetcar route.

COTA On-Demand Pilot To Alleviate COVID-Related Service Changes

THE CENTRAL OHIO TRANSIT Authority (COTA) has launched a COTA Plus on-demand microtransit service in northeast Franklin County to supplement options for passengers impacted by COVID-19 service changes. The service, available seven days a week, is fare-free, in accordance with COTA's current emergency operations.

"As the economy reopens, we are analyzing data from customers and businesses to reinvent how we serve the community and respond to areas in need of mobility," said COTA President/CEO Joanna M. Pinkerton. "COTA Plus has already proven that microtransit can connect people to jobs, food and healthcare in Grove City. By using our available resources, we can continue to serve our northeast Franklin County customers and grow our ridership in a safe and efficient way."

Customers within the defined zone can use the COTA Plus app to hail a COTA-branded vehicle to arrive at their nearest stop. Passengers are conveyed to a stop within that defined zone, or a stop that serves another bus line. The service can connect passengers to seven public transit lines, which provide access to downtown Columbus.

This is the second COTA Plus pilot the agency has launched in the past year.

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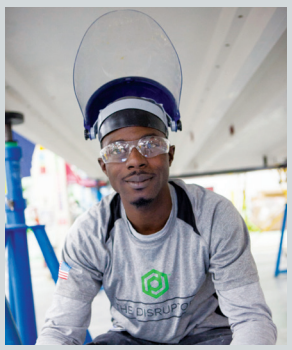
As our industry navigates the challenges of COVID-19, the importance of public transportation has never been clearer. Proterra extends gratitude to the public transit workers that are providing safe, reliable service for essential workers and ensuring the public can reach critical services.

As Proterra continues to manufacture electric buses and batteries to supply the critical needs of public transit, our number-one focus is the health and safety of our employees and customers.

We have implemented numerous safety measures at this time, including:

- Limiting facility access to essential personnel and implementing social distancing requirements
- Daily temperature checks for employees in our manufacturing facilities;
- Providing PPE to our production staff
- Consistent deep cleaning and disinfection of facilities
- Travel restricted to essential needs only and safety reviews completed before service technicians visit customer sites
- Additional paid sick-leave for employees to care for themselves, a family member or to care for children who are home due to school closures

Amid the pandemic, it is more apparent than ever that clean air is essential for public health. Air pollution contributes to respiratory issues, putting people at greater risk of severe health complications from viruses like COVID-19. Transportation is one of the leading sources of air pollution, and public transit plays a vital role in reducing transportation emissions. The FTA estimates that the average transit system emits about half the CO2 per passenger mile compared with a single-occupancy private vehicle.



Fleet operators are further reducing emissions with battery-electric buses, which displace 230,000 pounds of CO2 per year for each diesel bus replaced. With zero-emission vehicles, Proterra customers are contributing to cleaner air in our communities.

We look forward to continuing to serve the public transit community, providing industry-leading fleet electrification solutions and working together to create a cleaner, healthier future.

Cleveland RTA Installs Vinyl Protective Barriers on Buses

The Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority (GCRTA) is installing clear vinyl curtains on its buses and paratransit vehicles to provide a protective barrier between operators and passengers. The marine-grade vinyl barriers are custom cut to provide a secure enclosure that extends from the back of the bus operator's seat to the front windshield and from ceiling to floor, between the seat and the fare box. Double-sided Velcro is used to hold the barrier in place and the barrier can be rolled up out of the way and attached with Velcro straps when the vehicle is being cleaned. "This barrier will serve to protect both operators and customers from any transfer of droplets and offers an added layer of protection for everyone while on board," said RTA Chief Operating Officer Floun'say Caver. *Read more on page 2 of this issue about how GCRTA is addressing coronavirus while maintaining essential service.*

CamTran Delivers Much-Needed Food To Local Residents

Bus operators from CamTran, Cambria County, PA, delivered food boxes from the Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank to 65 recipients May 14, in conjunction with the food bank's Produce to People food distribution event. "During a normal month, we transport 11-13 bus loads of people to Produce to People events," said Josh Yoder, assistant executive director/ COO at CamTran. "Due to the pandemic and logistical changes to the event, we had to get creative. Our operations team did an amazing job in planning leading up to this event, which resulted in 65 of our valued customers receiving two boxes of pre-packaged food delivered to their home by our bus operators and members of our management team."

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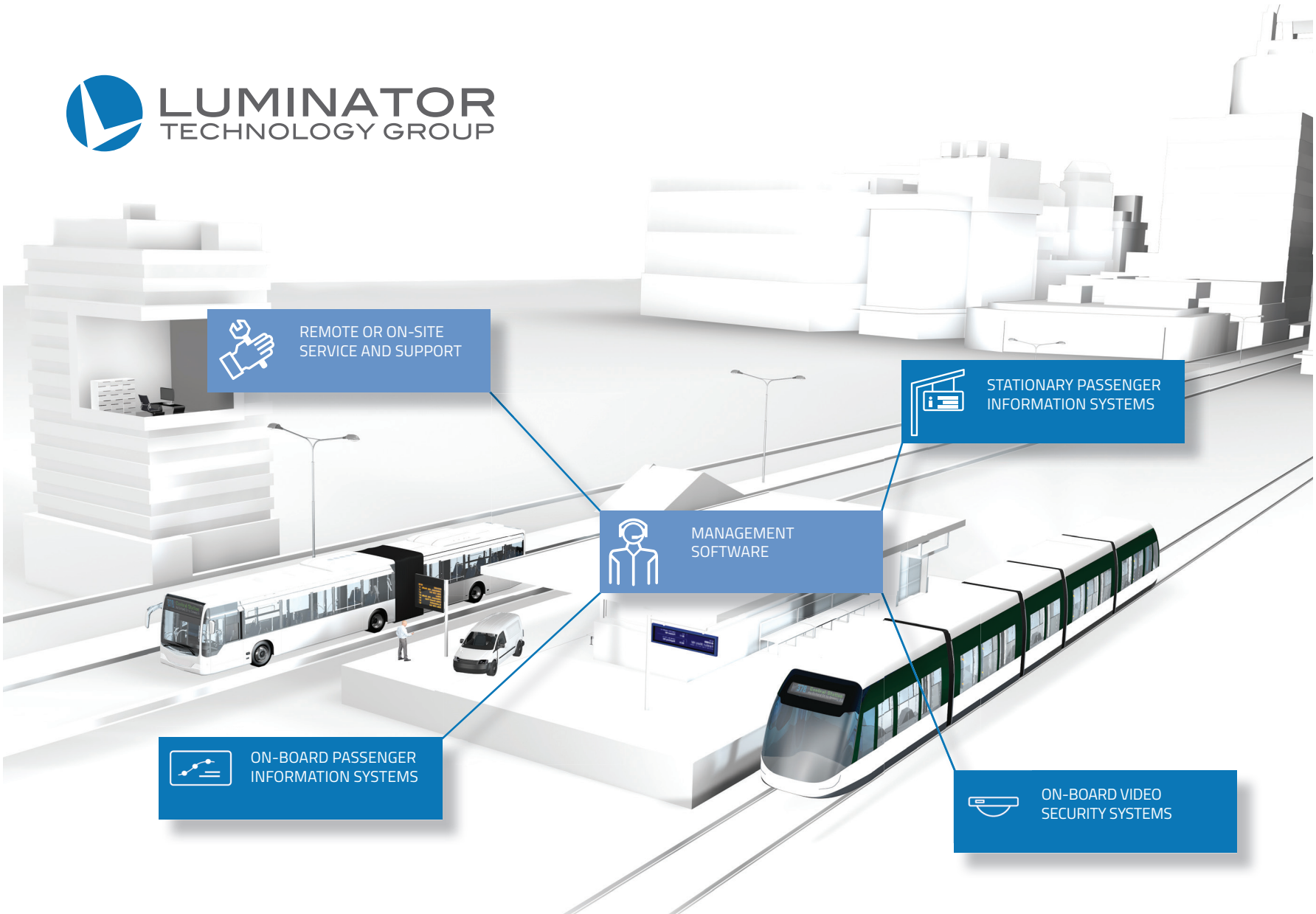

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SacRT Launches WiFi Bus—The Sacramento Regional Transit District (SacRT), California State Transportation Agency and the City of Sacramento are turning buses into free wireless super hotspots in communities with limited high-speed internet access during the COVID-19 pandemic. Buses will provide 3.5 hours of wireless broadband service at two locations each day.

NJ TRANSIT Deploys Modernized Ticket Vending Machines—Fourteen new ticket vending machines (TVM) are replacing older machines at NJ TRANSIT bus, light rail and rail stations. The new TVMs are ADA accessible, and customers can purchase tickets using contactless cards and mobile wallet apps. An assessment of the 14 TVMs will be made before the agency continues the rollout/replacement of a further 24 machines.

RideKC Announces Transit as its New Official App—Kansas City Area Transportation Authority riders will be able to plan their trip, track their ride in real time and make multimodal connections to RideKC bikeshare, scooters, Uber and Lyft with the Transit app. Upon launching the app, riders see nearby transit options and departure times in large text and bright colors. Users also can receive service alerts, notifications and updates.

MBTA Installs Bus-Only Markings on Charles River Dam Road—In effect for approximately one year, dedicated bus lanes will support bus replacement service during the final phases of Green Line Extension construction. The location of high-visibility pavement markings delineating the bus lanes in red paint were developed in close collaboration with MassDOT's District 6 Highway Division and the City of Boston Transportation Department.

Pantonium Deploys On-Demand Transit in Ontario—Pantonium Inc., a software company offering on-demand transit solutions, announced a new, night-time on-demand transit service by Chatham-Kent Transit for residents of Chatham, ON, Canada. The new service is powered by Pantonium's EverRun software, which autonomously routes buses in real-time.

Metra Launches All-Day Pass—Metra in Chicago has launched a new, $10 all-day pass and strongly encourages customers to buy it in the Ventra app, giving them a "touch less, pay less" option to ride its trains safely and affordably. The pass is good for unlimited rides on all Metra lines all day until 3 a.m. the following morning.

SunLine Transit Campaign Salutes Essential Workers, Promotes Unity

SunLine Transit Agency's (Thousand Palms, CA) #CoachellaValleyStrong campaign features two bus wraps showcasing messages that include "Together We Are Stronger" and "Thank You to All Those Who Have Kept Us Moving" as a tribute to essential workers who are offering service and care during the COVID-19 health crisis. "This has been a challenging time for everyone, and this campaign is a positive way for us to 'give back' to the essential workers including our committed transit team on the frontlines getting people to destinations that ensure access to food, medical and other vital services," said Lauren Skiver, SunLine Transit Agency CEO/general manager. Learn more at sunline.org/cvstrong.

New TCRP Report Discusses Transit Signal Priority

SPONSORED BY FTA, THE TRANSIT Cooperative Research Program (TCRP) serves as a means for the public transportation industry to develop innovative near-term solutions to demands. TCRP reports and other tools help public transportation practitioners solve problems and inform decision makers. Read the following recently released report:

TCRP Synthesis 149: Transit Signal Priority: Current State of the Practice documents the current practice of Transit Signal Priority (TSP), which is an important tool that increases bus speeds and reliability, thereby improving transit system efficiency and effectiveness. Twenty-eight of the 46 surveyed public transit agencies had active TSP deployments, and 13 either are in pre-deployment testing or have plans to pursue TSP in the future. www.trb.org/Main/Blurbs/180680.aspx.

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

HEAVY DUTY TRANSIT BUSES

The **Central New York Regional Transportation Authority ("CNYRTA" or "Authority")** is requesting proposals from professional organizations for a five (5) year procurement contract for **Heavy Duty Transit Buses**.

Individuals or firms who desire to submit a Proposal may request a "Request for Proposal Package" from Caitlin MacCollum, Procurement Supervisor and Designated Contact in writing at fax number: 315-442-3301, mailing address: Central New York Regional Transportation Authority, PO Box 820, Syracuse, New York 13205 or e-mail: cmaccollum@centro.org.

Approved Equals, questions and clarifications are due on June 22, 2020, and should be submitted electronically to cmaccollum@centro.org and a hard copy mailed to the above address.

Proposals must be received in the offices of the Central New York Regional Transportation Authority, attention Caitlin MacCollum, Procurement Supervisor **no later than 4:00 PM Eastern Time on July 20, 2020**. Proposals received after this time and date will be returned, unopened.

Firms wishing to submit Proposals do so entirely at their own risk. There is not an express or implied obligation on the part of the CNYRTA to reimburse responding firms for any expenses incurred in preparing and submitting Proposals in response to this request. The CNYRTA reserves the right to reject any and all Proposals for any reason.

Proposals received within the confines of the due date will remain in effect sixty (60) days from the due date.

All Proposers will be required to certify that they are not on the Comptroller General's List of Ineligible Contractors.

Each Proposer will be required to comply with all Equal Employment Opportunity Rules and Regulations.

The CNYRTA hereby notifies all Proposers that it will affirmatively insure that in regard to any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprises (DBE) and minority/women owned business enterprise (M/WBE) will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of sex, race, color, or national origin in consideration for an award.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA REGIONAL RAIL AUTHORITY

RFP No. OP151-21 METROLINK TRAIN OPERATOR SERVICES

The Southern California Regional Rail Authority (Authority) is requesting proposals for the provision of rail operator services for its commuter rail service known as Metrolink.

Requests for Proposal (RFPs) may be obtained via download at: https://metrolinktrains.com/doing_business. Vendors must register on the website in order to download the documents, but registration is free. **Electronic proposal submittals are due at 2:00 p.m. (PT) on July 3, 2020.**

The Authority will conduct a virtual pre-proposal conference and facilities tour at 8:00 a.m. (PT) on June 4, 2020. Prospective proposers can respond per the RFP's provisions, in order to receive the invitation to the virtual conference and tour.

Any Contract awarded as a result of this solicitation may be funded in part by the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Transit Administration. Proposers will be required to certify that they have not been suspended or debarred from participation in federally-funded contracts. Full compliance with all applicable Safety and Health standards, DBE requirements, Equal Employment Opportunity and Americans with Disabilities Act laws and regulations will be required of the successful proposer. As a condition of financial assistance agreements between the Authority and U.S. DOT, the Authority has established a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program and overall annual DBE goal in accordance with Title 49 CFR, Part 26. The Authority's overall DBE goal for Federal Fiscal Years 2019-2021 is 12%. The Authority has established a goal of 1.1% for DBE participation on this project.

For further information contact: Angelos Kastrisianakis, Principal Contract and Compliance Administrator at (213) 452-0215 or email KastrisianakisA@scrra.net

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HELP WANTED

DIVISION MANAGER

The **City of Hattiesburg, Mississippi** is seeking an effective, experienced, qualified leader to **direct and supervise the operations of Hub City Transit (HCT) as its Division Manager**. HCT is the primary public transportation provider for the Hattiesburg Area offering Paratransit service, Job Access Reverse Commute service, and traditional fixed routes. The system was expanded two years ago with new routes and an arrangement with the University of Southern Mississippi, which tripled ridership. In the coming year, the city plans to embark on a Transit Master Plan to help guide further improvements to the transit system which is expected to include possible on-demand or micro-transit solutions and other route and technology updates. The Division Manager will play a critical role in all of these efforts.

The Division Manager oversees routes, scheduling, administrative functions, personnel management, reporting, purchasing, budget management, customer satisfaction, asset management, preventive maintenance, and capital planning. Duties require considerable independent initiative and a proactive quality, as well as excellent communication and teamwork skills. Job activity ranges from working independently to collaborating with HCT, MPO, and City colleagues to frequent interaction with customers, vendors, and outside agencies.

For a full job description and to apply online, visit www.HattiesburgMS.com. Please be sure to attach a resume to the online application. The position will remain open until filled.

COMMUNITY TRANSIT – SCHEDULE ANALYST

Hiring Range: $78,426 to $86,269
Snohomish County, WA
Open: May 27 Closes: June 26

Under general supervision, coordinates with planning and operations staff to develop accurate transit operation plans; gathers pertinent route and schedule information; operates computer system for run-cutting, scheduling and modeling; maintains integrity of schedule data. Monitors and evaluates existing service through data analysis, personal observation, staff or customer input; attends planning and public meetings.

Apply online https://www.communitytransit.org

As a recipient of federal funds, Community Transit is an Equal Opportunity Employer and does not unlawfully discriminate on any basis prohibited by Federal, State or Local law.

NORTH CENTRAL REGIONAL TRANSIT DISTRICT ESPAÑOLA / SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

STRATEGIC INITIATIVES & PLANNING MANAGER

Salary up to $96,000
Application deadline: 06/22/2020

The district provides transit services within the counties of Los Alamos, Rio Arriba, Santa Fe and Taos, covering a 10,079-square mile area, with an approximate population of 289,441. NCRTD's vision is to connect communities and enhance cultural, environmental, social, and economic opportunities for the betterment of our region.

A Bachelor's degree in Transportation, Public Administration, Transportation Planning, Business or a related field, and five years of experience in planning or related operational/administrative experience or an equivalent combination of education and experience required. Master's degree is a plus!

Submit a cover letter, resume, and six work-related references (two peers, two supervisors and two subordinates) on our website: https://executivesearch.cpshr.us/JobDetail?ID=630

For additional information:
Kylie Wilson
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kwilson@cpshr.us

Online brochure: executivesearch.cpshr.us
North Central Regional Transit District website: www.ncrtd.org

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UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA SAN FRANCISCO

DIRECTOR OF TRANSIT

UCSF's Transportation department, in San Francisco, is seeking a **Director of Transit**. Transportation Services provides services across the UCSF enterprise for our faculty, students, patients, employees and communities.

The Director of Transit will oversee UCSF's complex transit services that include: Shuttle Operations, Fleet Management and Compliance & Safety. The ideal candidate will be responsible for strategically planning for the continued growth of UCSF's transit system and managing the complexities that are associated with an expanded network, including safety of the drivers and passengers, fleet management of 100+ vehicles, and the engagement and morale of a large and diverse unionized workforce of over 105 FTEs. This position requires a high-level acumen in the field of transit services, strong leadership skills, excellent managerial skills, track record to ensure driver and passenger safety, and commitment to providing outstanding customer service. Requirements include a Bachelor's Degree in business, planning, economics, or related area along with 10+ years of relevant progressive experience, and/or equivalent experience/training. Also required is a minimum five years of direct experience in transit route planning, driver scheduling and bidding, in-route shuttle monitoring systems and real-time GPS tracking systems.

To view the full job description and apply please click on the following link: https://tinyurl.com/ybvrsn44. 55177BR - Director of Transit

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TRANSIT AUTHORITY OF RIVER CITY (TARC)

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The Transit Authority of River City (TARC) in Louisville, KY, is seeking an effective, strategic, and knowledgeable **Executive Director**. The Executive Director is responsible for the executive management of all aspects of TARC's organization, including operations, maintenance, finance, planning and administration. Reporting to TARC's 8-member Board of Directors, the Executive Director provides vision and strategic leadership for the agency to achieve its short- and long-term objectives and provide the highest levels of customer service to the community and stakeholders.

The Executive Director represents the agency to its staff, Board of Directors, community, local officials, customers, partner organizations, and other stakeholders at a time of new planning and innovation. The ideal candidate will have outstanding communication and management skills, in-depth knowledge of newer strategies in transit and transportation, and demonstrated experience successfully and strategically managing an operating environment similar to TARC. Additionally, the ideal candidate will have excellent business and financial acumen to balance existing and future service needs with available resources.

Krauthamer & Associates has been retained to conduct a national search for TARC's next Executive Director. For more information, the full position description, or to apply, please contact Gregg Moser, Principal at K&A, at gmoser@kapartners.com.

UTAH TRANSIT AUTHORITY SALT LAKE CITY, UT

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

Annual salary range: DOE DOQ
Application deadline: Open until filled.
First resume review: 06/09/2020

The CFO is a critical advisor to the Executive Director, Board of Trustees, and Advisory Council on developing financial resiliency to meet the strategic and transformational goals of UTA. UTA's revenue comes from a wide variety of sources, including state, federal, and local tax dollars. The CFO will be responsible not only for developing innovative financing packages for large, financed capital projects, but also embracing transparency at all levels.

To view additional qualifications and submit your résumé, cover letter, and a list of six work-related references (two supervisors, two direct reports and two colleagues) visit our website: https://executivesearch.cpshr.us/JobDetail?ID=650

For more information:
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Online brochure: executivesearch.cpshr.us

Utah Transit Authority website: www.rideuta.com

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SACRAMENTO REGIONAL TRANSIT DISTRICT

VICE PRESIDENT, OPERATIONS

$152,280 - $204,060 Annually
(Plus Excellent Benefits)

The Vice President, Operations, is responsible for providing leadership to the whole of the District as a senior executive of SacRT, as well as directly leading and managing all bus and light rail field operations and maintenance, including facilities maintenance. This includes the dispatch of all bus and light rail operators, radio communication with all vehicles in service, field supervision of all service including coordination between bus and rail service. This includes all revenue vehicle maintenance (bus and light rail), all rail wayside maintenance, and all support vehicles. This position is responsible for all operator, maintenance staff and maintenance and transportation supervisor training. This position will also be responsible for innovative new services like microtransit services, contracted services and the operational transition to zero emission vehicle technology. The Vice President of Operations will coordinate with community partners over issues of service expansion, reduction and service quality. The incumbent collaborates with other Executive Management Team members to ensure a commitment to continuous improvement of transit service delivery and strategic system development. The incumbent is expected to act as a top level advisor to the General Manager/CEO and the District's governing board.

For complete information on positions and applications filing instructions, please visit Sacramento Regional Transit District's website at www.sacrt.com or contact the Human Resources Department at (916) 556-0298. SacRT encourages women and minorities to apply and will make reasonable efforts to accommodate applicants with disabilities.

SacRT is an Equal Opportunity Employer. EOE - Minorities/Women/Disabled/Veterans.

SACRAMENTO REGIONAL TRANSIT DISTRICT

SENIOR MANAGER, ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH & SYSTEM SAFETY

$101,124 - $141,600 Annually
(Plus Excellent Benefits)

The Senior Manager, Environmental Health and System Safety implements, and administers a comprehensive rail and bus safety management system and environmental program for Sacramento Regional Transit (SacRT). The incumbent provides functional oversight and auditing of safety activities for SacRT and construction/capital and facility improvement projects; responds to accidents/incidents/occurrences; provides audits/inspections including safety certification of RT field activities for compliance with safety and security requirements; interfaces with California Public Utilities Commission, Cal-OSHA, and other State and Federal regulatory agencies; has the authority and responsibility for the day-to-day implementation and operation of the agency's SMS and all levels of the organizational safety culture. This position reports to an executive manager, with dotted line reporting to the General Manager/CEO who acts as RT's FTA Accountable Executive.

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GENERAL MANAGER/CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

The **Denver Regional Transportation District ("RTD")** is seeking a dynamic, collaborative and progressive executive to lead the organization as its next **General Manager/Chief Executive Officer ("GM/CEO")**. Reporting to a 15-member directly elected Board of Directors, the General Manager/Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") is responsible for implementing policy set by the Board by overseeing and directing the daily operations of RTD's services. This executive must represent RTD as its chief executive to the public by listening to their needs and working with the Board to guide RTD in providing solutions that meet the needs of RTD's stakeholders.

The ideal candidate will have a proven track record of successfully managing a large, complex, and diverse organization that operates to provide the highest quality of service to its customers. Additionally, this individual will have strong financial management, strategic planning, public relations, community relations, and governmental relations skills.

Given the uncertain economic future with the COVID 19 pandemic and RTD's current financial liabilities, a background and understanding of government finance will be a major asset. Flexibility and an ability to identify creative funding solutions will be essential to ensure that RTD is able to provide the highest quality of service to its customers while delivering on its past commitments.

RTD's employees and its Board of Directors are dedicated to working together to ensure that the District continues to operate as one of the leading transit systems in the United States. As such, the new CEO will be integral to the continued success of RTD and the region as it strives to provide the highest quality of service possible to its customers and stakeholders.

Krauthamer & Associates has been retained by the RTD to conduct an international search for its next GM/CEO. To obtain additional information or a copy of the full position description, please email Gregg Moser, Principal at K&A at gmoser@kapartners.com.